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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE:

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/615,159, filed July 13, 2000

Applicant: Marc J. Madou

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Examiner: Nicole M. Barreca

For: MICROFLUIDIC DEVICES AND MANUFACTURE THEREOF

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED 11/17/03

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

This is in response to the Office Action mailed 1/17/03 requiring restriction and election requirement between claims 1-10 and claims 20-22 (Group).

Applicant affirms the original election without traverse by phone to Examiner Noguerola of the method claims 1-10 and 20-22. Applicant now in response to the division requirement of the Action mailed November 17, 2003 elects, without traverse, claims 1-10 for prosecution in this application.

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Mail Stop Non-fee Amendment**Commissioner for Patents****P.O. Box 1450****Alexandria, VA 22313-1450****AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

1. Transmitted herewith is a response to the Office Action mailed 11/17/03 for this application.

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